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Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of candor under 37 CFR §1.56 and in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, Applicant is not aware of any material prior art but, in an abundance of caution and candor, Applicant submits the present Information Disclosure Statement and the attached Form PTO-1449.

The present application is a continuation of a chain of previous applications (i.e., is part of a chain of priority). M.P.E.P. §609 provides:

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Therefore, Applicant expects all references made of record in the previous applications to be considered by the Examiner.

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Respectfully submitted,

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